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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UNSC, UG, IS

SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE ON ENTEBBE EVENTS

REF: STATE 171506

1. AFTER COORDINATING WITH BRITISH COLLEAGUE I CALLED ON  
FOREIGN MINISTER MIYAZAWA JULY 12 AND REQUESTED JAPANESE  
VOTE FOR JOINT US-UK RESOLUTION AND AGAINST AFRICAN

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RESOLUTION ON BASIS OF ARGUMENTS OUTLINED IN DEPARTMENT'S

171506.

2. MIYAZAWA REPLIED THAT GOVERNMENT POSITION NOT UNIFIED AS YET AND PRIMIN COULD OVERRULE HIM, BUT HIS PERSONAL SYMPATHIES LIE WITH US-UK RESOLUTION. WITHOUT PROVIDING SPECIFICS, MIYAZAWA ADDED THAT JAPAN WOULD "IN TYPICAL JAPANESE FASHION" OFFER AN AMENDMENT TO THE RESOLUTION, BUT HINTED WITHOUT COMMITTING HIMSELF THAT GOJ WOULD PROBABLY SUPPORT THE US RESOLUTION. AS FAR AS AFRICAN RESOLUTION CONCERNED, GOJ WOULD PROBABLY ABSTAIN SINCE COLLUSION BETWEEN UGANDA AND GUERILLAS NOT SUFFICIENTLY PROVEN TO VOTE AGAINST. MIYAZAWA ASKED ME TO BEAR IN MIND THAT THIRTY JAPANESE STILL LIVE IN UGANDA, ADDING THAT AMIN'S TOTAL UNPREDICTABILITY MADE HIM APPREHENSIVE. MIYAZAWA ASKED FOR MY VIEW.

3. I EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING OF JAPANESE POSITION, BUT ADDED ARAB COUNTRIES, WITH EXCEPTIONS LIKE LIBYA, DO NOT CONDONE TERRORISM. I ADDED THAT AT TIME OF MALAYSIAN HIJACKING INCIDENT LAST AUGUST PRIME MINISTER MIKI MADE STRONG PITCH TO PRESIDENT FORD FOR MORE FORCEFUL INTERNATIONAL ACTION AGAINST TERRORISM. I AGREED THAT AMIN UNPREDICTABLE, BUT STRESSED THAT HE STANDS SQUARELY IN INTERNATIONAL SPOTLIGHT AND HAS BEEN FORCED ONTO DEFENSIVE.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER PROMISED TO GET IN TOUCH AS SOON AS FORMAL JAPANESE POSITION FIRM.

5. SHORTLY AFTER MY DEPARTURE, UK AMBASSADOR WILFORD MADE PARALLEL DEMARCHE TO DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ARITA.

6. MIYAZAWA HAS NOT MADE ANY FORMAL COMMITMENT, BUT I SUSPECT THAT HIS "PERSONAL SYMPATHIES" WILL CARRY THE DAY. EMBASSY OFFICERS BRIEFED COUNTERPARTS IN UN BUREAU EARLIER IN DAY ON SUBSTANCE OF US POSITION SO THAT FONMIN HAD HAD SOME TIME TO CONSIDER JAPANESE RESPONSE. CONTENT OF WORKING LEVEL CONTACTS SUGGESTS THAT JAPANESE AMENDMENT TO OUR RESOLUTION WILL ATTEMPT TO LINK

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DISCUSSION OF SOVEREIGNTY MORE EXPLICITLY TO INCIDENT IN QUESTION.

7. JAPANESE CONCERN ABOUT THEIR CITIZENS IN UGANDA IS GENUINE. FOREIGN MINISTER'S PRIVATE SECRETARY MADE POINT AGAIN TO ACTING POLITICAL COUNSELOR ON WAY OUT OF MEETING, STRESSING THAT WIVES AND CHILDREN OF JAPANESE (WHO IN UGANDA UNDER TECHNICAL

ASSISTANCE PROGRAM) ALSO INVOLVED.  
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